



Emilio De Stefano

Emilio is Director & Principal of De Stefano & Co. An experienced executive, facilitator, and Chartered Professional Engineer (CPEng), Emilio has over a decade of industry experience across a variety of industry sectors including defence, oil & gas, water and infrastructure. Having practiced in organisations ranging from start-ups to large, multi-national corporates, in both technical and executive leadership roles, Emilio has an innate knowledge and understanding of people, culture, leadership, business and what it takes to succeed in any environment.

Emilio has Bachelor level qualifications in engineering and management and has undertaken numerous postgraduate programs including a Master of Engineering, the South Australian Defence Industry Leadership Program and more recently an Executive Program at the prestigious Stanford Graduate School of Business.

An experienced public speaker and presenter, Emilio spent six years as an Industry Facilitator for <the Defence Teaming Centre> / <a well-respected defence industry association>, providing support to companies wanting to join the Defence supply chain. During this time, Emilio ran the Centre's Teaming Program, facilitated Defence 101 training sessions and presented educational workshops.

Emilio is a Committee Member for the Industry Leaders Fund (ILF) Scholars Network and is a Past Chairman of the Institution of Engineering & Technology SA&NT. In 2017, Emilio was one of three finalists in the South Australian Government's 2017 Science Excellence Awards in the category of STEM Professional, and in 2021 was selected as an InDaily 40 Under 40 award recipient, which recognises and celebrates SA's best young business leaders.



Jeremy Watkinson

Jeremy is an experienced cyber security consultant with highly developed team leadership, stakeholder engagement, planning, project management, training and technical skills. He is a Governance, Risk and Compliance (GRC) specialist, able to assist with technical security assessments for classified environments, cyber security strategy and implementation and security training. Jeremy has worked with Commonwealth and State Government, defence industry, and leading global software and cloud services providers.

As De Stefano & Co's Head of Protective Security Services, Jeremy lives and breathes all things related to the Defence Industry Security Program (DISP), supporting clients by managing the entire DISP process. Jeremy regularly presents webinars and training sessions on Defence security frameworks in partnership with industry associations

and academia, and is a Member of the Australian Information Security Association (MAISA).

In previous roles, Jeremy worked with the Australian Cyber Security Centre (ACSC) to develop the ACSC's Essential Eight Assessment Course, and was project lead for the establishment of the national training curriculum for the Advanced Diploma in Cyber Security that was delivered nationally through 11 TAFEs as part of TAFEcyber.

Prior to specialising in cyber security, Jeremy had a long career in the Australian Defence Force and the Commonwealth Government, including management and specialist technical roles in international diplomacy, communications, trade policy, law enforcement, regulatory compliance, border security, visa processing and intelligence analysis. Many of these roles used technology as an enabler, and Jeremy has carried this passion and interest into his cyber security career.